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From: Rapicavoli, Emmanuelle [Rapicavoli.Emmanuelle@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/2/2020 9:24:14 PM
To: R9.Info [R9.Info@epa.gov]; Rodriguez, Roberto [Rodriguez.Roberto@epa.gov]
CC: Brush, Jason [Brush.Jason@epa.gov]; Li, Corine [Li.Corine@epa.gov]; Hecht, Hillary [Hecht.Hillary@epa.gov]; Berg, Elizabeth [Berg.Elizabeth@epa.gov]; Carroll, Christina [carroll.christina@epa.gov]; Magnuson, Janet [Magnuson.Janet@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: arsenic contamination Hopi Reservation

I'm sorry I'm late to respond to this chain.
Roberto - I think it's best that our team give the commenter a call. It's not the first time that I've heard about the CCR issue from residents and we plan to go out there later this month and meet with Ivan. I can report back to your folks what we hear. Thanks,

Emmanuelle

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<https://www.epa.gov/tribal/region-9-drinking-water-tribal-set-aside-program>

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Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 1:16 PM
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Thanks Roberto!

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From: Rodriguez, Roberto <Rodriguez.Roberto@epa.gov>
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ECAD will follow up on this matter.

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> On Mar 2, 2020, at 11:58 AM, R9.Info <R9.Info@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Hi all, forwarding this inquiry to the three of you as I'm not sure which office would be the lead.
> Please keep r9.info@epa.gov in the loop so we can track as well as learn.
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> Thanks!
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> Deborra Cohen
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: R9.Info <R9.Info@epa.gov>
> Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 10:26 AM
> To: Li, Corine <Li.Corine@epa.gov>
> Cc: R9.Info <R9.Info@epa.gov>
> Subject: arsenic contamination Hopi Reservation
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> Hi Corine, can you direct as appropriate?
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> Deborra Cohen
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: drupal_admin@epa.gov <drupal_admin@epa.gov> (Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP))
> (Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP))
> Sent: Saturday, February 29, 2020 12:38 PM
> To: R9.Info <R9.Info@epa.gov>
> Subject: Form submission from: EPA in Arizona Contact Us about EPA in
> Arizona form
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> Submitted on 02/29/2020 3:37PM
> Submitted values are:
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> Comments:
> Extreme Arsenic Contamination in the system that is operated by Ivan Sidney and cohorts of the FMCV
water department on the Hopi Reservation. Requests made to provide the CCR have been unresponsive, to
include an 'above the law attitude' that comes directly from Sidney, himself. The arsenic levels are so
high that it is above the standard measurement of acceptable contamination.
> People are dying of cancer and other diseases caused directly by this
> contamination. This organization has never been held accountable or
> responsible as other entities would surely have been made to rectify
> said contamination. It was determined that IHS had found sufficient
> cause to fault him with findings based off high levels of arsenic from
> an investigation done
> 3 years ago by the San Francisco IHS facility. No monitoring or accountability documentation has been
located. It was ascertained from archival information that Sidney was to rectify all findings by March
31, 2020. This has not been done and Sidney has made statements to the effect that "EPA and IHS will not
enforce any of their findings" as he feels he is above regulations and mandates from any governmental
agency. He has increased water rates without justification or transparency and has resorted to
blackmailing community members by threatening to turn off their water if the payment has not been
rendered. The Clean Water Act has not been adhered to by Sidney and other agencies at this writing. We
are kindly asking for resolve in this matter of dire emergency. Thank you for your required involvement
and assistance in this matter.
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